

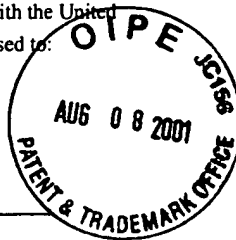
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

STEVEN C. QUAY

Application No.: 08/896,821

Filed: July 18, 1997

For: METHOD OF ULTRASOUND
IMAGING

Examiner: Hollinden, G.

Art Unit: 1619

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to revive this Application as having been abandoned unintentionally.

An Office Action was issued in this Application on September 18, 2000. On March 16, 2001, in an attempt to respond to the Action, Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). This, however, was not accompanied by a submission so that, under the new Rules, it was insufficient and the Application became abandoned.

Applicant did not receive a notice from the United States Patent and Trademark Office that the application had become abandoned; this fact was only discovered recently during a general review of Applicant's pending applications by the undersigned. The Examiner was contacted and verified that the application had apparently become abandoned for the above reason.

Applicant now requests that this application be revived as having been abandoned unintentionally, and submits herewith a proposed amendment in response to the Office Action. The Examiner is requested to act on the RCE, and continue examination.

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The entire delay in filing this response, from the due date therefor, until the filing of this petition, was unintentional.

The appropriate fee is enclosed herewith.

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